



**ST MARK'S
COLLEGE**

ADMINISTRATION

T +61 8 8632 2800
F +61 8 8633 0104

BENEDICT CAMPUS

T +61 8 8632 4735
F +61 8 8633 0568

BOSCO CAMPUS

T +61 8 8633 8812
F +61 8 8633 0104

SALESIAN HOUSE

T +61 8633 8803
F +61 8633 0104

www.smc.catholic.edu.au



The College Musical finished with an explosion of colour on stage

We enjoyed the musical. There were moments 'Grand' and exams challenging. We ask 'How are ya' and the Italian heritage lives on.

The Musical

The College musical production of Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat played for five performances at the Northern Festival Centre. It enjoyed a critical success. The sets were stunning, the sound glorious and the costumes delighted. The students were wonderful on stage. There was much generous applause, humming and affirming chatter as the audience left. I was very proud of the work of the students and the team of teachers and friends who made the production so special. I know that there was much effort to create a quality production and as the final curtain fell the students had a strong sense of accomplishment and joy.

It was a musical taken from the remarkable partnership of Andrew Lloyd Webber and Tim Rice. The story is a simple retelling of the journey of a biblical character. There were characters and camels, pharaohs and famines. There were sheep, tribes, deserts and empires. We also met a special boy, Joseph, who dreamt and struggled and ultimately triumphed.

Over our rehearsal period we shared all those wonderful elements of theatre that create unity. Together, 45 students and a team of staff and parents crafted a musical. We invited 17 Year 3 students into musical and the chemistry became instant magic. Those students made it come alive and we shared the colour.

The last bits and pieces of Joseph have now been completed. The last bill is to be paid and the storage of sets is done. The tunes are being hummed more quietly and the smiles and Joseph chatter around the school yard is nearly finished. What is left is a great sense of achievement and recognition of an enormous amount of work by so many people. Thank

you Isaac, Hannah, Fiona, Lyn, Megan, Dilraj, Scott, Ben, Bret, Max, Andrew, Moira, Sharon, Kylie, Paul, Catherine and Deb. There was a generosity of spirit that filled every gap of the production and these people made sure the gap was filled. I applaud the students who bravely took to the stage. I thank senior students Alyx Stark Wilton, Ebony Tizio, Aislynn Everett, Ayeisha Everett and Charlotte Miller for their wonderful leadership. I was delighted that the audience enjoyed themselves so much. I am so grateful for parents who did all of those hidden things to support the show.

Joseph came alive with much colour both in the swirling of his Dreamcoat and in the performances of many. We are left with a great memory.

Grand Finals

The last two weekends have been grand. The finals series in a number of sports have produced grand moments in grand finals. We have had St Mark's children struggle and aspire. They have played their best. They have put on the tribal colours and waved bunting and shaken garlands of red, yellow and blue. They have cheered and encouraged. Netballs and hockey balls have been passed expertly. Soccer balls have been slammed into nets. Footballs rolled one way or the other and always our young people chased. I have loved seeing the parents and grandparents smile and cheer. I have been so grateful for the coaching enthusiasm. I have hoped that our players got that last goal, that last desperate tackle, the frantic rebound and made that final effort. I have dreaded the tension of those last minutes.

I have also known again how wonderful sport is for our community. How important it is to play a stoic last quarter and be part of something



Ashton takes the ball when St Mark's vs St Mark's at the soccer

when all players battled. I wanted our St Mark's students to be in teams that didn't surrender and would not say die. And they were. I wanted classic matches of dour effort and painful quest. And there was. I wanted a final siren sounding and the handshakes being warm. And they shook strongly. I wanted all St Mark's players to be spent, relieved and grateful to have played in something a little bit special. And all teams had fun. There were winners and a sense of accomplishment. And losers. And if we were disheartened it was because it mattered. If the game was worth winning it was worth the risk of feeling defeated. St Mark's competitors playing in grand finals is grand. We enjoyed good sporting times. Go St Mark's!

R U OK?

It's pretty ordinary for us to say "G'day. How are ya" and not really listen to the response. That happens every day. At St Mark's this week we have been asked to listen to the reply. We have had a chance to hear and to be more responsive. We had a chance to recognise that our great Aussie greeting is important, but we must be aware of the response.

We enjoyed activities for R U OK Day this week and I think we had a chance to think more deeply.

A quality in this school is our cohesion. It's our care. There is a mateship and a commitment to each other. That is why when something goes wrong with relationships, we are so surprised and so disappointed, so hurt. A characteristic of St Mark's is that we say "How are ya" and we care about the answer.

This week I think that we learned that a conversation could change a life and that you don't have to be an expert to reach out. If I say 'G'day. How are ya?' I might have to say "Are you okay" as well. At St Mark's we want to notice a change, no matter how subtle. We want to listen to what someone says back to us.

Blessing of the Fleet

I had a beautiful Cathedral moment this week. The Blessing of the Fleet ceremonies are underway and the Mass for Young People on Wednesday attracted the Debutantes and their Beaus as well as those young people from Year 3 and 4 moving into the sacramental program. It was a beautiful moment because it was at the Cathedral and because of the faithfulness and sacredness within the hearts of our students. There was plenty of St Mark's representation in reading and serving, in the offertory and prayers of the faithful. We went to Communion together. There were plenty of Italian families present to pray with the Madonna and make powerful the tradition and legacy of the Moltese fishermen. The hymn to Our Lady, sung in Italian, finished a wonderful Mass. There was much blessing on Wednesday night.

Year 11 Walk and Discernment

The Year 11 students are now involved in a process of determining the student leaders for 2022. This is a very thorough and considered undertaking. They have been on a long Flinders Ranges walk and had a review afternoon to help them discern potential leaders for next year. I can't believe that we are nearly ready to farewell the Year 12s and then to offer our Year 11s a chance to lead. They seemed very excited.

Year 12 Exams

The Year 12 academic year is quickly ending. The final assessments are due. This is certainly the business end of the year. We are making demands on them. The Year 12 centre is like a vast echoey library. There is focussed scholarship, quiet concentration, shuffling papers, study, yawns, books and computers. This week the Year 12s have been involved in trial exams. Reports are distributed at the end of term. This is certainly their time of resilience and courage. We are with them all the way.

Mr Greg Hay, Principal

Key Dates and Campus Information



In this constantly changing environment, we are assessing upcoming events with current restrictions each week. Please note that the below events are subject to change. Changes will be communicated to relevant families where required.

Week 9: 13/9 - 17/9		Week 10: 20/9 - 24/9	
Mon	Staff Retreat - Student Free Day	Mon	SAPSASA Track and Field
Tues	First Day Summer Uniform Either full summer uniform or full winter uniform	Tues	College Sports Assembly Good Samaritan Hall, 11.30am
	College Board Meeting Bosco Conference Room, 7:30pm		Coaches Presentation Good Samaritan Hall, 5.30pm
Wed		Wed	
Thur	Youth Theatre Performance - Aladdin Years 1 - 6	Thur	R - 12 My Team Colours Day
Fri	Benedict Sports Day	Fri	End of Term 3 Dismissal- Benedict: 12.20pm, Bosco: 12.30pm 7 - 12 mid semester reports issued
	Youth Theatre Performance - Aladdin Year 8		

Year 11
Outdoor
Ed Camp

College:

- From Tuesday 14 September, students are able to wear either full summer or full winter uniform. The final day students can wear the winter uniform is Friday 24 September, with full summer uniform in Term 4. Please check that you are meeting the requirements outlined in the [Uniform Policy](#).

Benedict Campus:

- We have been fortunate to continue with a Student Assembly every third week under current COVID restrictions. The Year 5s have just presented some of their class work from this term:
 - Zac introduced us to a film the students had made in Science lessons, showing the distance between each planet and the sun. It was informative and entertaining! Maybe a career in the film industry or in space beckons.
 - Cooper reported on the Year 5s meeting their Little Lions' buddies; "The younger students enjoy having a trusted older friend to ask for assistance and the Year 5s and 6s relish the opportunity to be a mentor.
 - Jack gave a 'tell all' expose on the recent Year 5 Excursion and shared this fact; "Here's a 'Jack Fact' - the Pichi Richi is exactly 93 years old!"
- Caregivers, a large number of toys is once again making the way to school. They are a huge distraction for the students in class as they will play and fiddle with them and not pay attention or complete their work. Issues also arise in the yard over ownership, damage, loss and hygiene practices. Please ensure your child does not bring anything to school that is not school work related. If a specialist has recommended a small fidget or calming possession, please have them send a note/email to the class teacher. These items need to be small - sometimes a photo in their diary/communication book or a special pebble can be used successfully for some anxiety issues.
- With the increased number of both Benedict and Bosco students walking home along Drage St, a number of anti-social behaviours have taken place. Whilst the school is trying to address these after-hours issues, please help the situation with using the pick-up zone or carpark to collect students and not ask them to wait or walk along Drage St for you to pick them up. Your assistance will ease congestion, lessen anti-social behaviours and lower the risk of accidents occurring.
- Whilst on friendly reminders, it seems a few people in the carpark are in a desperate hurry! Please be mindful that the **carpark is a 10km zone** and the roads surrounding it during school time are 25kms. We are very lucky we have not had an accident as a number of vehicles are regularly exceeding these limits. Again, your child may be safe in your vehicle but that is not the case for the others. Please allow yourself more time so that you are not speeding through and around the carpark. It may be that some of our family friends/caregivers may also need a reminder, thank you for your anticipated cooperation.
- Staff have begun the extremely considered process of working out class placements for 2022. If you have a request based on educational outcomes, please collect a form from the Benedict Office to complete. Please note: requests for specific teachers will not be considered. These are due by Friday, Week 1, Term 4.

Ms Melissa Gadaleta, Deputy Principal, Benedict Campus

Key Dates and Campus Information



Bosco Campus:

- On Monday 13 September, the College has a student free day. This will provide the opportunity for the staff to participate in some faith forming activities that are central to our Catholic Identity. I hope that the students find this short break refreshing as we progress toward the end of a very busy Term.
- The first significant deadline of the 2022 University Admissions cycle is on Thursday 30 September. This is the early closing date for most undergraduate university courses. Late applications after this date will incur a fee. It is also the closing date for Medicine/Surgery, Dental Surgery, Oral Health and Veterinary Bioscience at the University of Adelaide. Late applications will not be accepted. The second key date is Wednesday 1 December. This is the closing date for most undergraduate courses. New applications after this date are not guaranteed equal consideration for selection. It is also the final closing date for Medicine at Flinders University and Occupational Therapy, Physiotherapy and Speech Pathology at the University of Adelaide. Late applications will not be accepted.
- I remind students their online application is not complete until they are in possession of their SATAC Reference Number. This is a 9-digit number that will be emailed to students along with their preference list once the application process is complete. Key dates regarding offers can be found at: <https://www.satac.edu.au/undergraduate-key-dates>
- Students wishing to apply for TAFE should be reminded that the closing date for TAFE course preferences to be considered for Round 1 is Tuesday 23 November. Applications after this date will not be guaranteed equal consideration. Further information about key dates for TAFE applications can be found at: <https://www.satac.edu.au/pages/tafe-sa-key-dates>
- I encourage any student who requires assistance with their SATAC University applications for 2022 to come to the Bosco Administration Office and make an appointment with Mrs Gibson or Mrs Forster. Students seeking assistance with TAFE applications are encouraged to schedule an appointment with Mrs Forster or Mrs Sard.
- I extend my congratulations to Alyx who won the St John Cadet Regional Competitions in Adelaide over the weekend. Alyx will now compete in Nationals, which is being held in Tasmania. This is a great step towards achieving her goal of becoming a Nurse.



Congratulations to Alyx, who won the St John Cadet Regional Competitions recently

Mr Marc Forster, Deputy Principal, Bosco Campus

THERE'S MORE TO SAY AFTER RUOK?™

"No, I'm not OK."
Dig a bit deeper:

"What's been happening?"

"How long has that been the case?"

"I'm ready to listen if you want to talk."

"Yes, I'm fine."
But your gut says they're not:

"It's just that you don't seem your old self lately."

"I'm always here if you want to chat."

"Is there someone else they'd rather talk to?"

Listen; don't judge.

Encourage action and offer support:

"How can I help?"
"What would help take the pressure off?"
"What do you enjoy doing? Making time for that can really help."
"Have you thought about seeing a professional?"

Make time to check in:

"Let's chat again next week."

Religious Education



From the APRIM

Retreats

Our Year 10 and 11 Retreats were held last week in COVID safe ways. I was impressed with the way staff and students adapted to engage thoughtfully in the respective experiences.

It was a real highlight to join the Year 11s on their hike following the formation day. I look forward to seeing our 2022 leaders emerge from this process.

A reminder that Monday is a Student Free Day as staff take time for their own development and formation in their vocation as Catholic educators.

Blessing of the Fleet

This weekend the Our Lady of Martyrs Feast will be celebrated in the parish. This celebration links back to Molfetta, Italy, and symbolises the blessing of the fishing fleet that once docked in our harbour.

The event is a chance for young people to reflect on the lives of the heritage and faith of their Italian forebears. In days gone by all the fishermen would gather their boats together and the bishop of the day would perform a blessing that they would be prosperous in their catches and keep safe," Bishop Karol will preside over the blessing for the first time this year.

Our sacramental candidates joined in the Mass for young people on Wednesday evening. The main feast is on Sunday with High Mass at 10:30am and then the procession to the water beginning at 2pm. All are invited to participate in this rich tradition honouring the faith and courage of Mary as a model or guide.

Operation Shoeboxes

Across the College classes are working to fill shoeboxes to support Samaritans Purse Operation Christmas Child and share the gift of Christmas to children who would otherwise go without.

Thank you if you have already contributed. Please see Operoo details on suitable items that can be donated to this wonderful cause.

Mrs Katie Pole, APRIM



Group work at Year 11 Retreat



The theme of the Year 10 Retreat was 'Hope' and involved four rotations of activities ranging from reflecting on a time of hope, gratitude and hope for the future. Olivia Smart came from the Red Cross and talk about how volunteering can give hope to others. Students were provided with lunch in the Indigenous Gardens, giving them a time to reflect.



Children are excited to receive a shoebox through Operation Christmas Child

SOUTHERN CROSS:

Click [here](#) for the latest edition.

Artist in Residence - Indigenous Cultures

Our Year 6 students have been immersing themselves in the Aboriginal culture through working with Darryl and Lawrie as part of an Artist in Residence program.



Angus, Kurt and Tarj



Emily and Leana



Jade shows her work to Darryl

"The first thing we learnt was how to carve clapping sticks. We used an axe and a filing tool to smooth. We had to remove all the bark off a branch from a tree. We also used sandpaper to smooth. They taught us how to carve the wood safely into a pointy shape. We varnished the clapping sticks.

It was good to learn about the aboriginal culture and their way of life and so fun to be able to make our own artefacts."

Curtis and Alice, Year 6

"I loved it because it was a new experience to carve wood and I loved hearing about the life that they had and their history.

They were so nice and helpful and they had a lot of knowledge to share.

The best part was carving the wood and using the axe to shape the piece of wood."

Riley and Hamish, Year 6



Lawrie with James and Mohamed



Noah and Liam



Isabella and Isabel

Benedict Campus



NUMERACY > Aisha sorting shapes in Maths



YEAR 1 > Mia, Patrick, Harry, Lottie, Scarlett and Nash enjoyed meeting the lambs at McNally Farm



ART > Reception Gold created these cute polar bear art pieces as part of their learning about fiction and non-fiction books



DESIGN + TECHNOLOGY > Henry and Paxton made boats and tested if they could float



LITERACY > Lana with her artwork after reading the book 'Not Cute' by Philip Bunting



LITTLE LIONS > Eli and his Buddy Lincoln meeting the sheep at McNally Farm



NUMERACY > Nate sorting shapes

BOSCO CAMPUS

RU OK? Day

RU OK was an important part of conversations this week for students and staff at Bosco Campus with daily messages, videos and morning tea.

Today students wore yellow accessories to spread the message of 'RU OK Day', soft drinks were sold as a fundraiser and students were invited to make a donation. All proceeds raised will go towards 'RU OK'.



Xanthe, Caitlin and Eva



Ava, Elsie and Cooper



Ms Symons and Mrs Byerlee



Sabella, William and Nikki



Mrs Klemm, Mr Everly, Mr Fricker, Mr Head and Mrs Court



Kiera, Matildah, Karly



Charli, Chloe and Ava

College Musical



Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dream Coat



Joseph (Ayeisha) wearing his amazing technicolor dream coat



Our Year 3s performing



Charlotte entertains in the finale



Aislynn leads the Year 3s in 'One More Angel in Heaven'



The cast performing 'Song of the King'



Joseph's 'Brothers' Caitlin, Imogen, Sabella and Rechyanne

College Sport



Netball

The 2021 Season Grandfinals were played on Saturday 4 September. In our comeback season after competition was abandoned in 2020 it was great to see so much improvement in players and competitive matches played throughout the year. Thank you to our committee, coaches, players and families for working to support the season's success through ever changing landscapes.

A special congratulations to our 4 premiership teams:

U12 Red Emily Court MVP

U13 Red Maelie Williams MVP

F Grade Red Grace McBride MVP

B Grade Blue Sarah DeGioia MVP

Many players were recognised for outstanding individual contributions to their teams:

Team of the Year Calalou Klingner (A Grade)

Best and Fairest Jessica Doyle (F Grade)

Zoe Reid (G Grade)

Taylah Cameron (U13)

Runner Up Best and Fairest Scarlett Todd (A Res)

Jazlyn McBride (B Grade)

Ruby Dunbar (F Grade)

Mayah Camporeale (G Grade)

Rechyanne Crocker (U12)

Best Team Person Amy Green (B Grade)

Luisa Fetherstonhaugh (C Grade)

Jessica Doyle (F Grade)

Junior Court Demeanor Sloan Chivell



U12 Premiers



F Grade Premiers



B Grade Premiers



U13 Premiers

Football

St Mark's College Football Club celebrated their Presentation Night recently. Congratulations to our players who were recognised for their individual achievements.

Best and Fairest Jack Cole (U11)

Jack Rafanelli (U13)

Runner Up Best and Fairest Thomas McBride (U11)

Noah Nicholson (U13)

Most Consistent Rhyleigh Nielsen (U11)

Best Team Man Patrick Davis (U11)

Liam Saler (U13)

Most Improved Jace Bellifemini (U11)

Jonathon Wilks (U13)

Coaches Trophy Connor Lavis (U11)

Kurt Kirchner (U13)

Best Club Man Riley Nicholson (U13)

Life Membership (U13) Jack Rafanelli

Bailey Yarrow

Jonathon Wilks

Liam Saler

Kycenn Lethbridge

Jackson Raftery

Jacob Davis

Mitchell Taylor



Life Members of the St Mark's Football Club



Our U11s football team



Old Scholars' Reunion



We extend an invitation for our Old Scholars' from the graduating classes of 1971, 1981, 1991, 2001 or 2011 to attend our upcoming Reunion on:

Saturday 16 October 2021, 3.30pm - 7.00pm

Old Scholars' will take a tour of the College and celebrate with drinks and nibbles in the Bishop Gallagher Centre.

RSVP to the College on 8633 8800 or info@smc.catholic.edu.au

While we look forward to celebrating in October, we continue to monitor and be guided by Government regulations and restrictions. All updates will be posted in the event '[Old Scholars Reunion](#)' on the St Mark's College, Port Pirie Facebook page.

Community Notices

Tennis - School Holiday Clinics

- Blue Ball(3-5yrs): 9.00-11.00am
\$35* per day
- Red Ball (5-8yrs): 9.00-11.00am
\$35* per day
- Orange Ball (8-10yrs): 9.00am-12.00pm
\$50* per day
- Green (10-12yrs): 9.00am-12.00pm
\$50* per day
- Yellow (12yrs+): 9.00am-12.00pm
\$50* per day

*Regional Tennis Programs are run with an additional \$5.00

Junior Cricket Registration

Southport Cricket Club

Registrations open now
For information contact:
Geoff 0418 141 099

Wandearah Cricket Club

Wednesday 15 September, 4.00 – 5.00pm
Port Oval nets
For information contact:
Scott 0400 081 278

Proprietary Cricket Club

Friday 17 September, 4.30 - 5.30pm
Lions Football Club
For information contact:
Plugger 0438 868 239



VISIT OUR WEBSITE:

WWW.KIDTOBER.COM.AU

OR FIND US ON FACEBOOK
FOR DETAILS ON ALL OF THIS YEAR'S EVENTS!

KEEP YOUR EYE OUT FOR A PRINTED CALENDAR
FROM YOUR CHILDCARE, KINDY OR SCHOOL
BEFORE THE END OF TERM.

**WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU
OUT AND ABOUT IN OCTOBER!**



PORT PIRIE YOUTH THEATRE
PRESENTS THE PRODUCTION OF

Aladdin



Friday 17th September
Saturday 18th September
7.30pm

NORTHERN FESTIVAL CENTRE

- Adults \$25
- Concession \$23
- Child / Students \$17
- Groups 10+ \$23

www.northernfestivalcentre.com.au

Weekly Specials

BENEDICT CAMPUS

	Recess:		Lunch:	
Week 9	Student Free Day			
Mon				
Tues	Ratbait	\$2.00	Small Chicken Wrap + Fruit Box	\$2.50 \$4.50
Wed	OOK OOK	\$2.50	Pitta Bread Pizza + Fruit Box	\$4.50 \$6.50
Thurs	Small Sausage Roll	\$2.00	Aladdin Performance	
Fri	Benedict Sports Day			
Week 10	Half Ham and Cheese Croissant			
Mon		\$2.00	Lamb or Chicken Yiros + Fruit Box	\$6.00 \$8.00
Tues	Pizza Muffin	\$2.00	Taco + Fruit Box	\$2.50 \$4.50
Wed	OOK OOK	\$2.50	Spaghetti Bolognese + Fruit Box	\$5.00 \$7.00
Thurs	Small Sausage Roll	\$2.00	Schnitzel and Gravy Roll + Fruit Box	\$4.50 \$6.50
Fri	Final Day Term 3			

BOSCO CAMPUS

	Recess:		Lunch:	
Week 9	Student Free Day			
Mon				
Tues	Ratbait	\$2.00	Chicken Wrap + 375ml Zero Can	\$5.50 \$7.00
Wed	OOK OOK	\$2.50	Pitta Bread Pizza + 375ml Zero Can	\$4.50 \$6.00
Thurs	Small Sausage Roll	\$2.00	Schnitzel Pack + 375ml Zero Can	\$5.00 \$7.00
Fri	Half Ham and Cheese Croissant	\$2.00	Lasagne + 375ml Zero Can	\$6.00 \$8.00
Week 10	Half Ham and Cheese Croissant			
Mon		\$2.00	Lamb or Chicken Yiros + 375ml Zero Can	\$6.00 \$8.00
Tues	Pizza Muffin	\$2.00	Taco and Salad + 375ml Zero Can	\$5.00 \$7.00
Wed	OOK OOK	\$2.50	Spaghetti Bolognese + 375ml Zero Can	\$6.00 \$8.00
Thurs	Small Sausage Roll	\$2.00	Schnitzel and Gravy Roll + 375ml Zero Can	\$6.00 \$8.00
Fri	3 x Mini Sausage Rolls + 375ml Zero Can	\$5.00	Final Day Term 3	

Online Canteen Orders: www.flexischools.com.au

Flexischools: 1300 361 769

Metro Canteens: 0447 978 752

